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Mrs. Jesse Evans Smith

Pres. Joseph Fielding Smith

SUP President Eugene P. Watkins

President Joseph Fielding Smith Receives Honorary Life Membership In SUP

The President's Message

By Eugene P. Watkins



'Let There Be Peace'

THE EVENING OF MAY 1, 1970, for The National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers, was truly an evening of special historical importance. It was then that President Joseph Fielding Smith and his lovely wife, Jesse Evans Smith were special guests at the annual banquet honoring the presidents of the chapters of our society. Not only were we privileged to have President and Mrs. Smith join with us, but honored in the opportunity of presenting to President Smith a certificate and pin designating him as "An Honorary Life Member of The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers".

Following President Smith's acceptance message, Mrs. Smith, after speaking briefly, climaxed the evenings entertainment by singing in her beautiful contralto voice, the inspiring song: "Let There Be Peace on Earth and Let it Begin with Me."

Our Priceless Heritage

As we celebrate on July 4, our national holiday commemorating the signing of the Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776, and as we honor our Pioneers on Pioneer Day, July 24, may we keep uppermost in our minds our priceless heritage. May we reflect with appreciation the preamble and the closing line of that great document, the Declaration of Independence:

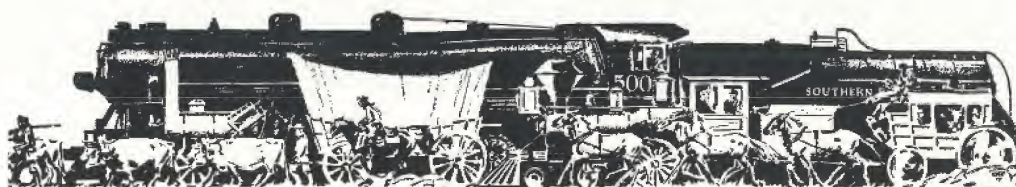
"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness That for the support of this declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor". May we also recall with proper apprecia-

tion the story of our Pioneers who came to this, then desolate desert valley, to find freedom and peace. Willing and ready as they were to consecrate themselves for the cause which brought them here, they wanted peace, liberty, and freedom, the type of liberty the founders of this nation so bravely fought for. They came to make homes for themselves. They came with a trust in God and with a conviction that their greatest happiness and blessings would come in making others happy. They brought with them industry, education, culture, and love. They were stalwarts. They made "the desert to bloom as a rose".

Our Many Responsibilities

As members of The National Society of the Utah Pioneers we have many responsibilities. Among these being: (1) To properly honor with appreciation our noble ancestors and (2) To give to our children, our grandchildren and society those principles that make for peace and unity. We are living in a day of challenging problems, a day that seems to evidence rebellion and disunity; a day of too much lack of confidence in home discipline. We forget too often that discipline is not a rod, but rather it is love, kindness, consideration, and understanding. It is leadership. Compulsion is not the source of peace.

Let us then resolve anew, and as so beautifully sung by Jesse Evans Smith, to exemplify and to instill in the hearts of all men those inspiring words—"Let There be Peace on Earth and Let it Begin With Me".





Force Behind Our Cultural Decline

HOW DID ALL this furore for drugs, sex promiscuity and social revolt among American youth get started in the first place? According to Pastor David Noebel, director of youth activities for the Christian Crusade, it wasn't parents, preachers, school teachers or television—but hard rock-and-roll music.

The distinguished clergyman, after extensive research, has fixed the blame on the Beatles, whom he believes have exercised a greater influence on world culture the past 10 years, than any person or group in the world. His thesis: "Drugs plus promiscuous sex equals revolution and the medium for putting this thesis into practice is hard rock. Playing a strategic and crucial role in the spiritual and cultural demise of the West in the avowed destruction of Christianity, are the Beatles."

The pastor notes that the Beatles themselves, in their autobiography, admit that their records are drenched in drugs. They point with pride to the fact that one album "Magical, Mystical Tour" was written under the influence of drugs. Backing his charges with quotes from national and international publications, the youth crusader said the Beatles, especially John Lennon, also advocates promiscuous sex in their records, books and public announcements.

Both drugs and sex occupy a vital role in the worldwide drive by the Communists to corrupt the morals of our young people. It is the "soft underbelly" of our culture and the Commies know that all they have to do is to destroy this and they have us in their power.

It is most disressting that so many young people are becoming entangled in their illusory web. Even those who do not meaningly endorse the egregious doctrines of the Beatles and other such groups, actually compliment them by apeing their slouchy appearance and long hair. To emulate these characters, even in appearance, *is, in and of itself a mild endorsement of their depraved idealogy.*

The Communists are buying up (FM) radio stations throughout this country to give off with their nefarious underground music. They aim this year to reach 75 percent of American youth. This would put our youngsters in the proper mood for their more weighty doctrines and practices.

Will all those who figure we are winning this fight with communism, please stand up and be counted?

----- TYPOGRAPHICAL TID-BIT

After the farewell party, Hank and Minnie are going to pack up and move to Hanley. They are expected to arrive there hag and baggage by Wednesday night.
—Indiana Newspaper

Eyes Still On Golden Spike

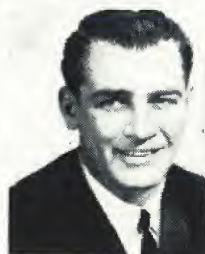
THE TRAINS are getting fewer and fewer and those that do run have difficulty finding enough passengers to pay expenses, but the great American Railroad Story still fascinates the public. This interest is maintained by such projects as is conducted by Brigham City which recently commemorated the 101st anniversary of the first transcontinental railway, linked at Promontory Summit, May 8, 1869.

This year's celebration started with the customary grand ball on Friday, May 8. The observance continued through Saturday with a series of festive events, including visits to Promontory and the historic Railroad Museum at Corinne. Gov. Calvin Rampton and members of Utah's congressional delegation joined in the activities. Cynosure was the Golden Spike Visitors Center, 21 miles west of Brigham City, a beautiful facility and already a popular attraction for tourists.

The Golden Spike Centennial Celebration set the pace for this observance with local, state regional and national railroad devotees taking part. This year's follow-up event of course was much smaller, and was directed exclusively by Brigham City sponsors, who made up in enthusiasm what they lacked in numbers compared to the original participants.


Once again Brigham City's sponsors did themselves proud as hosts to the tourists that visited the latest version of "Golden Spike Days." They had a new feature with which to attract visitors — an art exhibit of the work of A.J. Russell, Union Pacific R.R. protographer when the tracks at Promontory were laid. Following the exhibit this summer the photos are to be moved to the Smithsonian Institute. Mountain West folks should avail themselves of the opportunity to see this rare display before it is moved back east.

Brigham City, through such worthy projects as its annual "Golden Spike Days" significantly preserves this part of the nation's past which so much deserves remembering.



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SCENIC KANAB SPREADS WELCOME MAT

Gala SUP Encampment Scheduled For Sept. 10-11-12

*By Harold H. Jenson
National SUP Historian*

The proverbial red carpet has been spread long and wide for the annual Sons of Utah Pioneers, their families and guests, at picturesque Kanab, the Southern Utah wonderland, Sept. 10-11-12, for what may well prove to be the most exciting and eventful encampment in the long history of this gala event.

Mayor Verl G. Dixon of Provo, encampment chairman with Col. Fred M. Reece, Mormon Battalion commander and Kanab Chapter encampment chairman, and John M. Burgoyne, chapter president, have the convention in charge, which assures a most memorable gathering. Chairman Dixon has extended an invitation, with an extra urge added, to all SUP members to attend and bring along their families and any guests they may desire to invite.

A three-star event will be the day-long trip up the Colorado River by boat to Rainbow Bridge and other places of scenic wonder. It will be necessary for those who take this trip to check in at their motels on the evening of Sept. 9 as the party takes off at

6 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 10. Those who make this trip will register at least a week in advance. The reduced fee of \$20 per person, includes lunch.

A Shorter Trip

A less extensive trip is docketed for Glen Canyon Dam and Antelope Canyon occupying two house, at a reduced cost of \$4 per person.

Registration should be completed early on the morning of Sept. 11, so that those who desire to avail themselves of any side tours may be accommodated promptly. Proposed tours include the Pink and Coral Sand Dunes, Pipe Springs, Movie sets, if any shooting at the time, old town site of Paria, Johnson Canyon and a special trip to the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, Glen Canyon Dam, and other scenic wonder spots.

On the evening of Sept. 11 a genuine Western Cookout with steaks, sour dough biscuits, Dutch oven spuds, onion rings, etc., in the grand old western whoopee manner is the headline event and costs \$4 per person. Included also is an old western singfest and square dance.

Saturday Events

An early morning breakfast for Mormon Battalion officers and men is on the docket for Saturday morning, Sept. 12. The annual business confab at which the 1970-71 officers will be elected, is a Saturday morning event and will be presided over by Eugene P. Watkins, national president who will end his regular tenure of office with this encampment.

The ladies will be guests of the Kanab and Kane County Daughters of the Utah Pioneers in another of these fascinating and exciting affairs as their entertainment while the menfolk are in their business meeting.

The great and climactic event, as always is the President's Banquet in the Kanab Stake Center Cultural Hall Saturday evening at 7 p.m. Here the annual awards are given out, new officers introduced and the new president, if any, makes his "inaugural speech." Following the banquet a star-studded grand march and military ball take the spotlight. Battalion members are urged to don their uniforms and the ladies wear their

(see SCENIC KANAB, next pg.)



STREET SCENE AT KANAB, HOST FOR SUP ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Kanab Directory

(Elev. 4,900 ft., pop. 2,000)
 Kanab is a major traveler's stop and commercial center. Known as "Little Hollywood" because there are so many outdoor movies being filmed in the vicinity.

Nearby Points of Interest:
 Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon National Park, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Dixie National Monument, Sand Dunes State Park, Paria State Park, Old Paria Ghost Town, Lake Powell, Navajo Lake, Kolob Scenic Overlook, Panguitch Lake.

Accommodations: 13 motels, 1 hotel, 1 guest ranch.

Automobile Services: 7 service stations, 24 - hour service available.

Churches: LDS and Catholic.
Guide Service: Golden Circle Tours, (telephone 644-2656) ..

Hospital: Kane County Hospital.

Library: Kanab Public Library.

Museum: Chamber of Commerce Museum.

Newspaper: Southern Utah News, published Thursdays.

Restaurants: 4 restaurants, 2 drive-ins.

Service and Fraternal Organizations: American Legion, Lions, Chamber of Commerce, S.U.P.

Swimming Pools: City pool and pools available as several motels.

Scenic Kanab

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pioneer dresses.

Chairman Dixon reminds those who plan to attend this most extraordinary celebration, to make their reservations promptly. The committee needs to know how many to expect for each of the several events.

Attention is drawn to the Reservation Coupon elsewhere on these pages, giving more detailed information on costs.

These encampments are the "Spirit of SUP" and the inspiration of officers and members throughout the year.

Pony Express Plaque Dedication Scheduled At Faust, Utah, July 4

Sons of the Utah Pioneers and the Mormon Battalion will join with their friends at Vernon, Utah, in the dedication of the new "Faust" Pony Express Monument on July 4 at 10 a.m. Actually the ceremonies will be held on the Davis Ranch near Vernon under the direction of Kenneth P. Rasmussen, chairman of the Trails and Landmarks Committee of the SUP. Everyone interested is invited to attend.

A special bus for the accommodation of Salt Lake excursionists will leave the Lewis Brothers Station, 545 West 5th South St. at 8 a.m. by way of Camp Floyd and the famous Dog Cemetery. Lunch will be served in the Vernon Ward Cultural Hall at 1 p.m.

New Base Built

Under the direction of Bishop Kenneth J. Frederickson of the Vernon Ward, a new base for the original bronze "Faust" mark-

er has been built on the Roy Davis Ranch. Pres. Horace A. Sprensen of Pony Express will accept the monument, with its new bronze emblem, which replaces the original, apparently destroyed by vandals.

The program will be under the direction of Temple Quarry Chapter with W. Wayne Barrett and Bishop Deverial J. Frederickson in charge.

The Speeches

Chairman Rasmussen will give the welcome speech and speakers will be former Bishop Deverial Frederickson and Harold H. Jensen, national historian, SUP. The dedicatory prayer will be by Patriarch Eldred G. Smith or Chaplain Kenneth A. Bracy, alter-nate. Posting of the colors and the gun salute by the Mormon Battalion will be directed by Col. Marvin E. Smith, with the Boy Scouts of Vernon providing the service.

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 Sept. 11th and 12th

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Our charter bus will return us to Kanab in time for a western outdoor barbeque dinner and program up the canyon.

Bus fare is only \$17.50 per person including the round trip to Kanab, Lake Powell, Glen Canyon Dam, and the Canyon Barbeque.

NOTICE: Saturday, July 4, 8 a.m., a charter bus will take SUP and MB members to Vernon, Utah, for the dedication of a plaque at the Faust Pony Express Station. Cost \$2.50 Come in uniform. Can buy lunches from L.D.S. Vernon Ward.

For either of the above official SUP activities send check and reservations to T. Mack Woolley, 2998 Connor St., SLC, phone: 484-1462; or to Marvin E. Smith, 1665 Atkin Ave., SLC, phone: 485-8028. Bring your Battalion Uniform and Pioneer Dresses.

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SAGA OF A PICTURESQUE FRONTIER TOWN

Kanab Rich In Natural Beauty And Historic Background

By Adonis Findlay Robinson

Taken from
"History of Kane County"
(1970 Edition)

Kanab is a beautiful little city nestled within a circle of vermilion cliffs, with wide streets lined with green trees. As one approaches it from either the north or the south it gives somewhat the refreshing effect desert travelers must experience when they come upon an oasis. Kanab City gets its name from the creek upon whose bank it is located. The word "Kanab" is an Angelicized form of the Piute word for "willows"; the name was given the creek by the Indians because of the lush growth of willows along the stream long before white man set foot upon its sandy banks.

June 7, 1858, is thought to be the date when the first settlement began on the location which later grew into what is sometimes now called "Little Hollywood."

Perhaps "settlement" is not the word to use in an account of the birth of this city. But at least, white men came to the region for various purposes and some of them remained dur-

ing the late 1850's and early 1860's; and the above date is verified by J. Cecil Alter, Utah historian, and James A. Little, biographer of Jacob Hamblin. Little records that Hamblin came into the territory with companies of men in 1858, 1859, and 1860. Sons of the peacemaker, Joseph and Benjamin Hamblin, report that their father found a few settlers who had come in search of good country for cattle raising and were living in dugouts near the willow-lined creek only a short distance from the present site of Kanab City.

It was alone a search for good cattle country that led to the settlement of this region. Brigham Young was eager to have the Mormon people extend their domain as far as possible in to all parts of the southwest. This, together with the desire of the Church leaders to convert the Indians of the region to the Latter-day Saint faith, led Brigham Young to send out expeditions of men to discover suitable places for settlements to be formed and to make friends with the Indians.

Hamblin Chosen

For this work, Jacob Hamblin was selected as the leader. He

had all the qualifications and some experiences which made him the right man for the great mission he performed. He had been ordained and blessed by the Prophet Joseph Smith. He also had had it made known to him by the supernatural power while he was on an expedition against the Indians in Tooele in 1853 that he was to be a messenger of peace to the Indians, and that "if he took not the blood of this remnant of Israel, by them he would not die." His belief in this divine promise made him fearless and master of every situation in dealing with the red men.

Although some efforts at peace negotiations had been effected with the Piutes, Moquis, and the Navajos by 1860-1861, many Indians, especially the Navajos still retained a hostile spirit and at the least provocation would threaten the weaker settlements. Up to this period by constant missionary labors and visits to them, the pioneers had succeeded in bringing about terms of peace with a few. However, since large numbers of livestock had been brought into the country by the pioneers, the Indians could see (see KANAB-SUP, next page)

Kanab-SUP Encampment Host

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the vegetation that had produced nutritious seeds upon which they had been accustomed to subsist was fast being devoured by these cattle. They had no other means of getting food and often their children were hungry. Hunger and distress made many of them commit depredations that they otherwise would not have done. They told their grievances around their camp fires, and many, especially the young men, were roused to desperation.

Back To Old Ways

In his writings, Hamblin says, "Many of the pioneers did not realize the situation the friendly Indians were made to suffer. Those that were unfriendly raided the settlements and drove off hundreds of head of cattle, horses, and mules. Many of the Indians who had at first been friendly went back to the old ways of raiding and stealing. This caused our people also to manifest hostility towards the red man.

Hostilities between the Indians and the white men increased. As history records, there was a general uprising in both Central and Southern Utah from 1865 to 1867. The tribes were determined to drive the whites out of the country. Guards of men were stationed at Kanab, which was more than an outpost to protect the weak settlements of St. George and Santa Clara, and settlers along the Rio Virgin. But the guards needed protection, too. It was mainly for this safeguard, and looking ahead to resettlement, that Brigham Young authorized Jacob Hamlin to see that a fort was built.

John R. Young, an 1847 Utah Pioneer, recorded in his journal that he visited the place in 1868. "The climate and soil of this locality is good, well-adapted for fruit and stock-raising. It promises to become a place of importance."

Andrew Jenson, the Church historian, states in the Encyclopedia History of the Church: "Kanab

was first settled in 1864 and the foundation for a prosperous settlement was laid. It was broken up in 1866 during the Indian wars with other nearby settlements and was resettled on June 14, 1870, when a colony of settlers arrived, consisting of seventeen persons, mostly from Cottonwood, Salt Lake City."

Busy Center

During the summer of 1870 the fort at Kanab was to become a busy center of interest and activity. Corbett reports: "It became the

focal point for pioneering, missionary work and exploration. It also was a relief point, a trading post for the various Indian camps, and a base of operations for the Geological Survey.

"In late February a message was received by the inhabitants that President Brigham Young was on his way to visit the fortification. This was thrilling news. The visit of President Young called for a general cleanup. The grounds around the fort received a good raking. The fort's enclosure was swept and everything put in order. The people at the fort dressed in their best and even the Piutes washed their bodies

(See KANAB next page)

Sorensen To Lead Pony Express Centennial Assn.

Horace A. Sorensen, former national president and currently member of the National Board of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers and founder and curator of Pioneer Village, has been elected president of the National Pony Express Centennial Assn. He succeeds the late Col. Waddell F. Smith, a grandson of William Waddell, one of the founders of Pony Express.

Other officers named to positions with the Pony Express organization include: Edwin Bur-

clean from the usual dirt and paint."

On April 2, 1870, President Young, accompanied by other leading men of the church, arrived at Fort Kanab and during this visit, President Young dedicated the land in Mormon fashion for the gathering of the Saints.

During the next few years Major Wesley Powell, the explorer, who had helped Hamblin negotiate a treaty of peace with the Indians made Kanab the headquarters for his explorations. It

Kanab Celebrates Centennial

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trees. Probably more trees have been set out here than in any other settlement of the same size in the country. A steam sawmill is situated at Scootumpah (Skutumpah) where there is an abundance of grass and timber. There is a good road to the mill and business is good. Last November, Jacob Hamblin made a treaty with the Navajos, a number of whom visited Kanab and gave assurance of peace.

Kanab became an incorporated town in 1884 and will celebrate her 100th anniversary of settlement all during the year of 1970. Kanab now has black-topped two-lane highways serving her from four different directions. We have daily mail service from the north and south. We have an up-to-date culinary water system and a permanent dam and ditches for irrigation purposes. We have twelve fine motels ready to take care of the tourist business and five extremely good eating places. We have a Latter-day Saint Stake house that accomodates two wards, North and South. We also have a First Baptist Church and a Catholic Church. We have a local weekly newspaper and a Public Library and two practically new school buildings; a bank, hospital and nursing home, gift shops and improved streets. Our climate is mild, our skies are blue, our air is clear and fresh. In all Kanab is a delightful place to live.

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Huntsville; Earl W. Dahl, Buena Ventura Chapter, North Davis; Farrel E. Carter, Ogden Pioneer Luncheon Club; Earl A. Hensen, Temple Fork Chapter, Logan; Leon S. Taylor, Lehi Chapter, Lehi; Ray Knell, Cedar City Chapter; Lothaire R. Rich, East Mill Creek Chapter, Salt Lake; Raynold K. Watkins, Old Juniper Chapter, Logan.

By T. W. Woolley

Presentation of the Honorary Life Membership Pin and Certificate to President Joseph Fielding Smith featured the annual Presidents Banquet of the Sons of Utah Pioneers held May 1 in the Pioneer Village Auditorium.

National President Eugene P. Watkins presented the award to President Smith and Mrs. Smith pinned the emblem on the Church leader. In a brief but most sincere and kindly response, the leader of upward of 3,000,000 Mormons paid tribute to the Mormon pioneers and commended the Sons of Utah Pioneers for their various programs which perpetuate the lofty idealism and humble devotion of these hearty frontiersmen.

Special Solo

Mrs. Jesse Evans Smith, nationally acclaimed contralto, sang a solo, "Let There Be Peace on Earth and Let It Begin With Me." The president's wife accompanied herself on the piano.

E.O. Maxwell sang a group of solos, accompanied by M.E. Carr on the piano. The musical program was outstanding and enthusiastically received.

Pres. Watkins was in charge of the pleasing affair and Vice President Jay Horrocks was an eloquent and good-natured master of ceremonies. Corsages were given to the ladies.

Events Announced

Mr. Horrocks announced the Indian Show to be held at Pioneer

Village May 30 and the opening of a display of President David O. McKay's relics at the Village on May 31, and the unveiling of a bust of President Brigham Young on June 1.

Each chapter president introduced himself and his companion. A sumptuous roast beef dinner was served.

Special guests were Elder and Mrs. Arthur Haycock. Elder Haycock is secretary to President Smith and a regional representative of the Council of the Twelve.

The innovation was given by Chaplain Joel Richards and the benediction spoken by National Moard Member W. Lowell Castleton.

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Members of the National Board of SUP at Presidents Banquet, May 1: Front row (l-r) — Gerald Waterfall, Ogden area vice president; Jay B. Horrocks S.L. area north vice president; Eugene P. Watkins, national president; Thomas M. Woolley, ex-executive secretary, Salt Lake; Horace A. Sorensen, Pioneer Village director, Salt Lake; Ray Knell, immediate past president, Cedar City. Back row — Harold G. Felt, Brigham City area vice president; Jesse N. Layton, Awards Committee, Huntsville;

Victor J. Bird, Awards Committee, Provo; Joel Richards, Life Membership Committee, SUP chaplain; E. Morton Hill, vice president Salt Lake area south; Earl A. Hansen, vice president, Logan area; Everett H. Call, New Chapters Committee, Salt Lake; Lorenzo B. Summerhays, national treasurer; Kenneth P. Rasmussen, Trails & Landmarks Committee, Sandy; J. Rulon Morgan, Provo, adjutant general, Life Membership Committee; Harold H. Jensen, SUP historian; Henry D. Call, Pioneer Stories Committee, Layton; Verl G. Dixon, vice president, Provo area.

Byron L. Turner New President, Pioneer Chapter

The Salt Lake City Pioneer Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, has elected Byron L. Turner, insurance executive as its president for the year 1970-71. Mr. Turner succeeds Dr. Orson D. Wright who becomes immediate past president on the chapter board. The election was held at the Lion House Social Center, June 4.

Others elected to office at the election-meeting were: Douglas A. Smith, president-elect; Darrell V. Knight and Dr. Ralph L. Tingey, vice presidents; George J. Romney, secretary and Richard W. Moyle, treasurer.

President Smith's Response When Made Honorary Life Member Of SUP

I thank you good bretheren for conferring upon me this honorary life membership as one of the Sons of the Pioneers.

I am proud of my pioneer heritage. My father, President Joseph F. Smith, walked across the plains as a young boy. My ancestors, as well as yours, came here in the early days to find a place where they could worship the Lord according to the dictates of their own consciences, and where they could work out their own salvation with fear and trembling before the Lord.

We are so far removed from our pioneer forebears that the record of their service and sacrifice sometimes become dim in our minds. We do not realize all that they went through—their hardships, their sufferings, the persecutions, the murders, the drivings that came upon them before they started on their westward journey—and yet they arrived in this valley rejoicing. It was President George A. Smith who was responsible for the statement that "they came here of their own free will and choice—because they had to."

They crossed the plains, many of them pushing handcarts, containing the meager possessions which they had. They traveled the weary miles with sore and bleeding feet, through hardships and suffering which we do not understand, and arrived in this Valley of the Salt Lake, and were grateful to the Lord that he had preserved their lives and brought them to a place where they could worship; and all this, if you please, because they loved the truth.

Brethren, it is my prayer that as Sons of the Pioneers we may exemplify in our lives the characteristics and attributes which made our fathers great; that we may stand firm and true to the same gospel truths for which they lived and labored.

In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.



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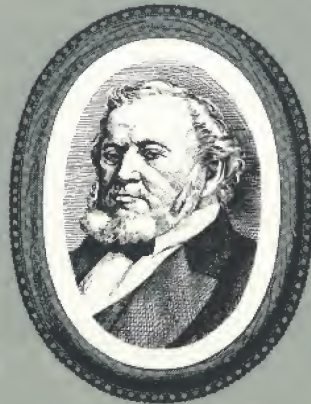


VIP's seated at speakers' table at SUP Presidents Banquet: (l. to r.)— Mrs. Arthur Haycock, Arthur Haycock, secretary to President Smith; Jessie Evans Smith, wife of the president; President Smith, guest

of honor; Eugene P. Watkins, national president, SUP; Mrs. Watkins; Mrs. Jay B. Horrocks; and Mr. Harrocks, vice president, S.L. area north.

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David Crawford Houston

David Crawford Houston, past president, Sons of Utah Pioneers, director of Communications, Utah Copper Division of Kennecott Copper Corporation, is a native Utahn, born in Panguitch in 1901. He received early schooling in Southern Utah. He graduated



from Brigham Young University in 1927 with the B. S. degree in business administration.

He received the degree of master of business administration at Leland Stanford University in June 1929. He has served the

state governments of California and Utah, and the United States government in various capacities, and has been associated with the mining industry of Utah since January 1940.

Mr. Houston first started with Utah Copper Company, a division of Kennecott, as assistant superintendent of welfare in 1940. In 1943, he was appointed to the position of superintendent of welfare. He became director of industrial relations for the Utah Copper Division in 1945 and served in that capacity until May 1957, when he was advanced to the office of director of communications.

Wide Business Experiment

Not only is he closely identified with mining in Utah, but has had

wide experience in business, church and civic activities in many other states and Canadian providences.

He resides at 2382 Becon Drive, Salt Lake City. His wife is the former Julia Ellen Loveless of Orem, Utah. They have three children.

Many Positions

He is a member of the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce, past president of the Salt Lake SUP Luncheon Club, past president and board member of Traveler's Aid Society, and active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He lives in the Ninth Ward, Monument Park Stake. He served in many ward and stake capacities such as MIA president, Sunday School superintendent, priest quorum advisor, elders quorum presidency, teacher, Stake MIA superintendency, high councilman, building fund chairman, etc.

Released as president of the California South Mission on August 1, 1969. He has since served as LDS Personnel Department overseas representative. At the conclusion of that assignment established his own management consulting service as one of the organizers of "Management Seminars, Inc."

Los Angeles SUP Chapter Names 1970-71 Officers

Election of chapter officers for 1970-71 and the planning of a membership campaign, featured the May 11 meeting of the Los Angeles Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, reports Edward B. Perkins, secretary.

Named to offices in the chapter were: William Johns Fox, president; Gleason Dearden, first vice president; Richard W. Smith, second vice president; Wallace D. Ellison, third vice president; J. Robert Hatch, judge advocate; Jack Goddard, chaplain; Edward B. Perkins, secretary and Heber G. Harrison, treasurer.

Three of the L.A. Chapter members joined the "Chapter Eternal" since the preceding meeting: Irving L. Pratt, 1969, president; Burton M. Oliver, the author and historian and Roy Utley, long-time chapter officer.

Pres. Fox, who has been ill, is now making a splendid recovery. He has invited the wives of members to accompany their husbands to his home to view a number of interesting pioneer relics. This is a part of a planned program to arouse the interest of the feminine forces in a membership campaign. Principal objective of the 1970-71 season, the president has announced, is an enthusiastic membership drive to double the membership this season.

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Our Readers Write

Keep Those Pioneer Ideals

IT IS A SAD THING to see the fine reputation of Salt Lake City, as a clean and righteous city, go by the wayside because of the general trend toward immorality and crime. The Mormon pioneers set up a clean and righteous community which, through its amazing growth, has become infiltrated with intemperance, immorality and all types of law-breaking. I am a descendant of the pioneers and I deeply appreciate their lofty idealism, firm faith and rugged strength. It is good that they cannot see what is becoming of their "Zion."

The pioneers came through misery, suffering and even bloodshed to build a truly Christian commonwealth and to be free of the ignominious persecution heaped upon them. If you do not agree that this goodness and decency should

prevail in this city of the pioneers, perhaps you would feel more at home in Kansas City, Chicago, Detroit, St. Louis and other great cities "back East" where such standards are at a low ebb, as I have found them in my various sojourns in these places.

I have lived in Salt Lake City a short time but every day I realize that this beautiful community, badly as it is slipping toward the orthodox and the conventional modern American city, it is still much finer and cleaner than most of the big cities back East. But our city does not have the golden image it once had throughout the nation and the world. It is rapidly becoming tarnished by the evil things that have been allowed to happen here.

—Nathan S. King

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SIGNIFICANCE OF JULY 24 IN MORMON HISTORY

Pinpoints Day Of Fantastic Pioneer Achievement

(Church Information Service)

It was mid-April, 1847, when the vanguard of Mormon Pioneers started westward from Winter Quarters. For three months the wagons rumbled and jolted among brush and rocks, willows and tree stumps.

At Wyoming's South Pass, already discovered by the early "Mountain Men," they crossed the Continental Divide and swung more to the southwest. From Fort Bridger, in southwestern Wyoming, travel was very difficult. The Wasatch Mountains were a formidable barrier, almost blocking the path to the valleys beyond.

When at last Brigham Young and his vanguard group, 148 in all, came out of Emigration Canyon, he looked long and carefully at the Great Salt Lake Valley. Finally he said, "It is enough. This is the right place. . ."

So ended perhaps the most dramatic part of the great Mormon

exodus from the East and the Midwest, where these people had known much hardship and persecution. Brigham Young had said he wanted a place so barren and forbidding that no one else in the world would have it. To all appearances he had found just that!

Some Vital Problems

But how would these people be fed? Where would they live? Already thousands were on the trail. Tens of thousands more awaited another spring when they, too, could come. In the next 22 years, when the railroad would come through, 80,000 would follow the Mormon Trail by wagon and handcart. Another 6,000 would lie buried along the way.

Perhaps nowhere did the inspiration and genius of Brigham Young show themselves so well as in the hours and years that followed his first entry into the Valley. He laid out the city that

would be built here, and he arranged for the use and ownership of lands and water. He sent out scouting parties to find where people could establish other cities and towns. These scouts were to look especially for three things: water for irrigation, land for farming, and timber for buildings and firewood.

Food Is First

In the conquest of any new land, food is of first importance—food for the body, the spirit, and the mind. Brigham Young made provision for all. Plowing, irrigation, planting were commenced on a large cooperative scale even before the wagons were unloaded.

For spiritual food a bowery or tree-branch shelter from the sun was immediately erected where sacred services were held. A choir was selected and rehearsed; and that was the beginning of the fam-

(See Day of Achievement)

Day Of Fantastic Achievement For Utah Pioneers

(continued from preceding page)

ous Tabernacle Choir.

School was started immediately for the children. One precious wagon load of books and school supplies was included in the first train. Music, singing, debating, theatrical productions, dancing, the weaving of clothing—all these and other forms of personal development were encouraged. This program of "continuing education" became the custom in Salt Lake City and in all the other cities and towns settled as the Pioneers spread over the land into Nevada, southern California, Old Mexico, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho, and on north into Canada.

Day Of Achievement

To Mormon throughout the world, July 24 has become a symbol. It pinpoints a day of glorious achievement when the first great trek across the plains and through the mountains was over, and a new Zion was established "in the tops of the mountains."

But among the Mormons—and among many of their neighbors, too—it signifies a great beginning, when people, relying upon themselves, upon each other, and with infinite faith in God and in their leaders, carved out of a harsh, forbidding land, "cities and fields, and temples to their God."

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New Officers of the East Mill Creek Chapter, SUP for 1970-71: Loreno Bates, past president; Lothaire R. Rich, president; Arthur Wiscomb, 2nd vice president; Oscar W. Gray, 3rd vice president. Back Row — George Gygi, director; B. N. Robison, director; Joy Dunion, director; Mark Madsen, director; Thomas A. Lambert, secretary. Kenneth M. Wiseman, 1st vice president, not present.

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Lehi SUP Couple Observes Golden Wedding Anniver

(The Lehi Free Press)

In observance of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. Linel J. Larsen of Lehi, Utah, were honored at an open house at the Fourth Ward Cultural Hall on May 9, 1970. Several hundred relatives and friends attended the most enjoyable social, including members of the Lehi Chapter Sons of the Utah Pioneers of which Mr. Larsen has served as president.

Mr. and Mrs. Larsen were married in the Salt Lake Temple May 12, 1920, by Nickolas G. Smith.

Mr. Larsen was born in Spring City, Sanpete County, a son of Daniel W. and Eunice Nielsen Larsen. His childhood was spent on the farm and in the mountains where his father owned and operated a sawmill.

He was active in the priesthood quorums and at school participated in athletics. He attended schools in Sanpete and Sevier Counties and studied for three years at Brigham Young University. At BYU he met Mina Peck.

Operates Dairy

Following their marriage, he purchased a farm northeast of Lehi, and in company with his father and brother-in-law, Lester T. Ross, organized the Three Bar Dairy for many years. After the death of his father and Mr. Ross and with the advent of World War II, he sold the dairy and went to work at the Geneva Steel Plant. He retired after 20 years of service as a guard sergeant in the Plant Protection Department.

Mr. Larsen has always been active in the church, serving as a teacher in the organizations and as superintendent of the MIA, president of the Elders' Quorum, High Councilman and as class instructor of the High Priests' group.

He has always been active in baseball and softball, organizing Three Bar Dairy teams that played in Lehi and American Fork leagues.

Log Cabin Girl

Mrs. Elmina Peck Larsen was born in Lehi, a daughter of Elisha and Elizabeth Wilson Peck. When she was four years old, her father purchased a farm on the bench east of Lehi, and



THE LINEL LARSENS . . . WED
50 YEARS

she spent her early childhood in an old log house located at the farm.

She started school at Sego Lily and attended all the other schools in Lehi. She later spent three years at BYU.

The first years of her married life were spent in the same log home where she had lived as a child and it was here that their three children were born. They include Keith Linel Larsen, of American Fork; Relva, now Mrs. George C. Leamy, and Evona, now Mrs. Darwin R. Miner both of Lehi. The Larsens have sixteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. Larsen has always been active in Church activities, particularly Relief Society where she served six years as a counselor, as a class teacher in the visiting teaching department and for 35 years as a visiting teacher.

Other positions have included Primary teacher, Sunday School instructor and Beehive teacher in the MIA.

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Election Dinner

Oldest Chapter Sets Up New Official Staff

By Richard Grant Thayne and
Floyd K. Giles

New chapter officers, a wonderful meal, and a fabulous program were the highlights of the George Albert Smith Chapter meeting, March 16, 1970.

Mayor Verl G. Dixon presided over the dinner meeting held in the historic Pioneer Museum Building in Provo. Forty-six members and guests attended. Honored guests were National President and Mrs. Eugene P. Watkins and Treasurer and Mrs. Lorenzo B. Summerhays.

Mayor Dixon introduced the new officers for 1970, as follows:

President — David S. Nelson

1st Vice President — Richard Grant Thayne

2nd Vice President — Kenner B. Clayton

Treasurer — Archie Millett

Secretary — Floyd K. Giles

Past President — John W. Taylor — Honorary and Advisory position

Historian — J. Rulon Morgan

The meal was prepared under the direction of David S. Nelson, a professional chef, and newly elected president of the George Albert Smith Chapter, the first chapter organized of the Sons of the Pioneers in Utah, the oldest National Chapter in the State of Utah. Secretary Floyd Giles showed true pioneer enthusiasm and leadership ability, in getting the tables arranged, and assisting with the preparation and serving of the food.

Musical Treat

The program was given by Merla Greenwood Thayne, well known and accomplished writer and musician. Mrs. Thayne gave a brief narration background and historical facts about each song, after which the songs were sung by a trio, Leona Higgins, Joan DeFreiz



Preside Over George Albert Smith Chapter: New officers of the George Albert Smith Chapter, SUP, were elected March 16, as shown in photo—Front row, left to right: Eugene P. Watkins, national president, guest at election dinner; David S. Nelson, chapter president; Richard G. Thayne, vice president; J. Rulon Morgan, historian. Back row: Kenner B. Clayton, 2nd vice president; Archie Millett, treasurer; John W. Taylor, past president; Lorenzo B. Summerhays, national director and treasurer. Floyd K. Giles, not present.

and Bonnie Robinson. Their accompanist was Cozzette Ashby. The Provo Chapter was entertained with renditions of songs, "Hold Back The Dawn," "This Love of Mine," "Optimist," and "When He Comes Again."

Merla Greenwood Thayne showed and reviewed her books, "The Little Things," and her more recent best seller, "When He Comes Again."

National President Eugene Watkins then spoke. He thanked Mrs. Thayne and stressed how he loved her music. He also said, "We must support our chapter of the Sons of the Pioneers." He opined, "This organization, next to the Church itself, is the greatest fraternal organization in the

world. It has the highest standards of any."

Preserve Heritage

Life Membership Director Lorenzo B. Summerhays, also a guest speaker, encouraged all members present to obtain unique and interesting facts of their pioneer heritage.

Both President Watkins, and Director Summerhays stressed for members, "to have high ideals, companionship, and to consider it a privilege to belong to the society that honors our ancestors."

President David Nelson thanked the guests and summed it up saying: "The purpose of our chapter and our moral obligation is to keep alive the Pioneer spirit and to honor our pioneer forefathers."

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Erastus Snow Gardner

Erastus Snow Gardner, 77, of St. George, Utah, charter member of the Dixie Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, died June 2 in a St. George hospital of a stroke.

He was Washington County and Iron County state representative and vice president of the Utah Cattlemen's Association and American National Cattlemen's Association, also director of the Utah Hereford Assn. He served as president of the Utah State Association of Soil Conservation. He was the first man in southern Utah to begin Hereford breeding registered cattle.

In church service, Mr. Gardner was a high priest and bishop of Pine Valley Ward for 13 years.

He was born June 10, 1892 in Pine Valley, Washington County, to Reuben and Lucy A. Snow Gardner. He married Clara Maud Crosby, June 5, 1917, in the St. George LDS Temple. She died in 1958. He married Hazel Moody, May 6, 1960, in the St. George Temple.

Survivors: widow; son, daughter, Dean C., St. George; Mrs. George (Lois) Fry, Jackson, Wyo.; 10 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sisters, Mrs. Henry (Mesia) L. Jones, Cedar City; Mrs. Glen (Laura) Snow, Mrs. Lee (Effie) Beckstrom, Pine

Valley; Mrs. William J. (Annie) Pulsipher, Logan; Helen G. Stout, Salt Lake City.

The funeral was held June 6 in the St. George LDS Eighth Ward Chapel and burial was in the St. George City Cemetery.

Walter Wangsgaard

Walter Wangsgaard, 72, of Huntsville, Utah, member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, Huntsville group, died of a heart attack enroute to the Ogden McKay Hospital on April 2.

A lifelong resident of Huntsville, he was a farmer and worked for the Weber County Weed Control Board and the Defense Depot at Ogden prior to recent retirement.

He was a member of the Huntsville Second Ward and a high priest in the Ogden - Huntsville group.

Mr. Wangsgaard was born July 2, 1897 in Huntsville, a son of Peter C. and Ingeborg Nelsen Wangsgaard.

Surviving are his widow, three grandchildren, one brother and one sister, Thomas Wangsgaard, Mrs. Carrie Hinchliff, both of Ogden.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 4, in the Huntsville 2nd Ward Chapel, with Bishop Carl Holmes officiating.

Dr. Jesse J. Weight

Dr. Jesse J. Weight, 78, member of the Brigham Young Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers of Provo, died May 20 in a Provo hospital of cancer. His funeral was held May 23 in the University Ward Chapel, Provo, and burial was in the Springville Evergreen Cemetery.

Dr. Weight practiced medicine in the Provo-Springville area for 38 years. He was former president of the Utah County Medical Association and chairman of the Rural Health Committee for two years. He was also president of the Utah Academy of General Practitioners.

A graduate of Brigham Young University, class of 1916, he went on to receive his masters degree in bacteriology at the University of Chicago in 1924. He attended the University of Utah College of Medicine in 1929 and received his M.D. degree at Rush Medical College in 1931.

He was a veteran of World War I, serving with the Army. A member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, he was a high priest and served as president of the YMMIA for several years.

Dr. Weight was born in Springville, April 25, 1892, a son of Henry Joseph and Rheuama Johnson Weight. He married Thelma Eggertsen, May 25, 1923, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

Surviving are his widow; son and daughter, J. Arthur "Jerry," Bountiful; Mrs. Werner K. (Meryllynne) Grill, Inz, Austria; seven grandchildren; brother and sister, Kenneth E., Provo; Mrs. Nellie Wiscomb, Mapleton, Utah County.

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Nancy Jackson, 19, Crowned Queen For 'Days Of '47'

A tall, vivacious blonde, who decided to enter the competitions only 15 minutes before the judging began, is the 1970 "Days of '47" Pioneer Celebration queen. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Elvon Jackson, 1516 Twentieth East and a grand niece of Joseph Fielding Smith, president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

"It was just a spur of the moment decision," said Miss Jackson, "and I only entered 'just for fun.' I had no idea I would win." She thought she was successful because she was in it just for the experience and wasn't trying to impress anybody.

Miss Jackson's first attendant is Jane Rasmussen, 23, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Rasmussen, 3642 Elmwood St. She is the first grade teacher in the Crestwood Elementary School. She listed more than 30 pioneer ancestors on her application form.

Second attendant is Linda Romney, 19, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell H. Romney, 3259 Bon View Dr. She listed as her pioneer ancestor Brenneman Barr Bitner. Miss Romney is a freshman at Brigham Young University.

Miss Jackson, 5 ft. 9½ in. tall, with long blonde hair and sparkling blue eyes told the panel of five judges: "There must have been many advantages in living in pioneer days. For one thing the pioneer girl could go to school without worrying about whether there would be classes or a riot and you could wear long dresses, too."

Asked if longer dresses will make a comeback, the new queen answered: "I think that after the men have seen a girl's legs, they are not going to want to see long dresses any more."

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Pioneer Motif In Swank Provo Wedding

The pioneer theme was carried out in the decorations, program, Mormon Battalion uniforms and dresses of pioneer origin, when Susan Carol Payne and Howard Bitter held their most unique and lovely wedding reception in Provo on April 1. Susan is the daughter of Dean W. and Jaynann Morgan Payne and Howard is the son of Mr. and Col. Howard Bitter. On the wedding picture, left to right are: Mr. and Mrs. J. Rulon Morgan, grandparents of the bride; Dean and Jaynann Payne; Susan Payne, Howard Bitter and Mrs. and Col. Eldon Bitter. Mr. Morgan is former national president of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, presently of the National Board and adjutant general. Jaynann Payne is the former Mrs. Utah.

Utah Historical Society Names 23 Buildings For U.S. Register

Twenty-three Utah historical sites have been selected by the Utah Historical Society's Review Committee for the National Register. The nominations are the result of a study of several mounts of pioneer edifices and sanctuaries throughout the Mountain West. The selections include:

The Beaver County Courthouse, Beaver, Utah; the Corinne, Box Elder County Methodist-Episcopal Church; Old Ironton, west of Cedar City; Cove Fort, Millard County; the Utah territorial capitol at Fillmore; Piute County Courthouse, at Junction; the Isaac Chase Mill, Liberty Park; St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, Salt Lake City; the cast iron front of ZCMI, Salt Lake City; Council Hall, opposite the State Capitol (with the name changed to "Old

City Hall").

Also, Ottinger Hall, in Memory Grove; Cathedral of the Madeleine, Salt Lake City; Granite Paper Mill, mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon; Summit Stake Tabernacle, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Coalville; Stage Coach Inn, Fairfield, Utah County; Wasatch LDS Stake Tabernacle and Amusement Hall, Heber City; Brigham Young's winter home and office, St. George; Jacob Hamblin Home, Santa Clara, Washington County.

Also, St. George LDS Tabernacle; Pine LDS Chapel and Tithing Office, Washington County; Wells Fargo Buildings, Silver Reef, Washington County, and Miles Goodyear Cabin, Weber County.

MORMON BATTALION ON THE MARCH

Kanab Encampment And Faust Dedication Top Events

By Col. Marvin E. Smith
Commanding Officer,
Mormon Battalion

The big excitement is the annual Sons of the Utah Pioneers and Mormon Battalion encampment, national convention to you newcomers, to be held Sept. 11 and 12 in Kanab, Utah during its centennial anniversary, according to Mayor Verl Dixon of Provo, general chairman.



Kanab committeemen include Col. Fred M. Reese and John Burgoyne, president of the local SUP chapter. They have worked out many interesting activities. There is the all-day boat trip to Rainbow Bridge

and return Friday, with visits enroute to Forbidden Canyon, Cathedral Canyon, Last Chance Bay, etc.

Returning from Lake Powell we will be taken up Kanab Canyon for a real western cookout and program. Following this we will return to the Brandon Motel, our lodging headquarters.

During business meetings on Saturday, the ladies will be treated to a surprise program by the Kanab and Kane County DUP. The Mormon Battalion will also have a special meeting during the day.

National SUP President Eugene Watkins, has a hunch that the weather will be ideal and is anticipating a record turnout.

Charter bus transportation from Salt Lake City to Kanab, Glen Canyon, Kanab Canyon and return is available for all who make advance reservations for \$17.50. Special discount rates have also been arranged for motel rooms and for the Lake Powell boat excursion. A two-hour boat trip is available for those who are not able to make the trip to Rainbow Bridge.

Saturday evening, following the President's Banquet at the Kanab Stake Center there will be a grand march and military ball.

Men are invited to wear uniforms or western garb. Ladies are invited to wear pioneer dresses.

Make bus and boat reservations with T. Mack Woolley or Marvin E. Smith.

Trip to Vernon

Other activities of SUP-MB include:

A short trip on the morning of July 4 to Vernon, Utah, for the dedication of the Faust Pony Express marker. The townspeople will join with SUP in this public service, according to Kenneth P. Rasmussen, national board member in charge of landmarks. Ken is also currently serving as president of the Temple Quarry Chapter. Battalion members please wear uniforms.

If enough reservations are made, a charter bus will take us to Vernon that morning for the 9 a.m. dedication, the 10 o'clock parade, and return to Salt Lake via Fairfield and historic Cedar Valley where Johnston's Army was stationed a century ago. All this for \$2.50. The town of Vernon will sell box lunches to the visitors for \$1.00.

Make reservations with Kenneth P. Rasmussen, T. Mack Woolley, or Marvin E. Smith.

Flag Ceremony

The Pioneer Chapter SUP has invited the Mormon Battalion to do the flag ceremony at the sunrise service on July 24 at Lindsay Gardens in Salt Lake City. These annual meetings are a choice experience. The speaker will be Elder Loren Dunn of the First Council of Seventy. Come and attend this program. Chairs are provided.

Recent Doings

Recent events of note were:

The crowning of Susan Skaggs, 16, as Race Meet Queen in Kanab. She is the granddaughter of Col. and Mrs. Elva Reese. But that "aint" all! She won the ladies barrel race (horseback), and took the prize for creativity in designing and building a float.

Carol, mother of the Queen, has a family of champions. Her 9-year-old son won first place in baseball competition for his age, and her husband, Jim, won first

place for the heaviest beard. They really support the Kanab Centennial.

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Of special interest were recent meetings of Company A in Salt Lake when Earl Olson, assistant Church historian spoke to the group and showed pictures he had taken in the south sea islands.

Later the Mariachi group from Mexico gave an exciting program at the June Meeting.

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Col. Fred Reese held a meeting for new prospective MB members in Salt Lake and told of new developments in marking the trail of the original battalion.

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While in Salt Lake, Col. Reese attended the wedding reception for another granddaughter. This one belongs to his son, Bishop Ralph Reese of the Garden Heights Ward.

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Lt. Col. Sheldon R. Brewster was the featured speaker at the Memorial Day sunrise services at the State Capitol. Lt. Col. S. Richard Keddington was the officer in charge. Men in uniform and ladies in pioneer costume added to the color of the flag raising.

Kenneth Rasmussen and William Erickson handled the colors while Keith Mahoney played the Star Spangled Banner on the trumpet. Lt. Howard Lichfield was assisted by Vernon Curtis and Scott Smith in the gun salute. Allen Crow gave the benediction.

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The Temple Quarry chapter enjoyed a four-day excursion to scenic points of interest in Colorado last month.

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Son Robert and his wife Joan took his parents Marvin and Irene Smith on a recent trip to Europe. A special feature was being in Jerusalem during Passover Week. We returned non-stop from London to Los Angeles and viewed with interest Iceland, Greenland, and northern Canada as we flew over in clear weather.

Parkinson Named President S. L. Luncheon Chapter

Wilbur Parkinson, an executive in the Salt Lake City Health Department, has been elected president of the Salt Lake Sons of the Utah Pioneers Luncheon Club. Francis M. Gibbons was chosen first, Frank D. Parry second and Orson M. Richins third vice presidents.

Elected recording secretary was William Martell Hodson, with George C. Lloyd re-elected secretary-treasurer. New directors for 2-year terms will be Taylor H. Merrill, George S. Nelson and Richard C. Watkins. Directors for 1-year term are Ralph D. Baker and Fred W. Schwendiman. Elmer C. Jenkins is holdover director for one year.

Speaker at the luncheon-election meeting was Bruce H. Woolley, executive secretary of the Governor's Advisory Committee on Drugs.

Music for the luncheon was provided by Emma Bowen, Gloria Harris, Jane Jordan and Teddy Stringham. They presented numbers from the musical "Westward The Women." All are wives of Sons of Utah Pioneers and all have little sons of pioneers in their homes.

Retiring President Le Grand Backman presided. He recently returned with his wife from a Mediterranean cruise.

Mr. Woolley gave a detailed review of the narcotics situation in Utah as of the present. He discussed the comparative results of the use of the various drugs.

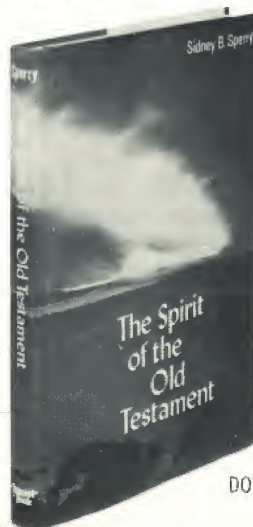


1970-71 Officers Salt Lake City Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers: Front Row, Left to Right—Wm. Martell Hodson, recording secretary; Le Grande P. Backman, past president; Orson M. Richins, 3rd vice president; Frank D. Parry, 2nd vice president; Francis M. Gibbons, 1st vice president; Wilbur C. Parkinson, president. Back Row—Fred W. Schwendiman, board of directors; George S. Nelson, board of directors; George C. Lloyd, secretary and treasurer; Richard C. Watkins, director; Taylor H. Merrill, board of directors; Ralph D. Baker, board of directors.

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Historical Highlights

By Harold H. Jenson
SUP Historian

The mystery of the disappearance of the old Faust Pony Express Marker near Vernon, Tooele County, Utah, has been solved and on July 4, at Vernon's July 4 Celebration the citizens will join with the Sons of Utah Pioneers in dedicating a replica of the original monument on the site of an important Pony Express Station.

The cement monument with a bronze plaque mounted atop apparently crumbled away, but the plaque mysteriously reappeared in the Pioneer Village Museum, salvaged by scout troops, and this will be remounted on the new construction.

There has been some disputation as to the original location of the monument; that it stood on what is now the Melba Farms or that it was on the Davis Farms location. Meanwhile the Davis property owners have given permission for the monument to be erected on a spot where an old barn and a big house were once located. Adjacent is a spring, once the stopping place for Pony Express riders and stage coaches.

Aside from the location issue, the important thing is that the monument is relocated and modernized and a dedication planned for Vernon's Independence Day Celebration under the direction of Kenneth Rasmussen, chairman of the SUP Markers & Trails Committee. Former Bishop D. J. Frederickson and incumbent Bishop Kenneth Frederickson are prime

boosters and builders of the new structure, which is built of stone with cement base.

The Pioneer is indebted to Corretta Castagne and Fritz Wilson, pioneer trails and landmark enthusiasts, for the accompanying "Old Faust Station," photo taken about 1942. Corretta believes, as did the late historian Jim Sharp, that "Doc" Faust, after whom the station was named, was not there in 1860-61, as some accounts have it.

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Congratulations to Wilbur Parkinson for 40 years service with the Salt Lake City Health Department. The present splendid Health Building is a monument to his outstanding services. With Mrs. Kate B. Carter, president of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, Wilbur has served many years as chairman of Salt Lake City's "Days of '47" Celebration with its elaborate parade (third largest in America), rodeos, musicals, band concerts and other events. His latest brilliant idea was to move the rodeo from the West Side Fairgrounds to the beautiful new downtown Salt Palace which may lift the "Days of '47" Committee out of the financial doldrums.

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The U.S. Forest Service has agreed to memorialize a "Sermon On The Mount" flagpole honoring the late Pres. David O. McKay on the summit of Mt. Ogden. The flagpole was originally erected there in 1922. Sen. Wallace F. Bennett (R-Utah) had requested the replacement and relocation of the flagpole, long since damaged by vandals.

The former Church leader was



Castagna and Wilson
... at Faust Marker (1942)



Jenson and Friend Tomiyuki
... greetings from Japan

a member of the Council of the Twelve when he led 400 hikers up the mountain for a flag-raising ceremony 48 years ago. After the hike, Pres. McKay delivered a sermon. An interesting angle on the Mt. Ogden flagpole story is the fact that in the gathering of 400 hikers was a Weber College student officer named David Kennedy — the same who is now the U.S. secretary of the treasury.

Tomiyuki Tanaka, a Japanese youth, with ten of his friends, was on a crowded train going to Takarazuka, Japan's Disneyland, when he noticed this writer standing and gave him his seat. (the Japanese traditional respect for white hair, probably) Then followed in broken English a conversation that developed into a friendship over the past several months. Tanaka has just sent your reporter the accompanying photo, with this note:

"Hello Jenson. How are you? I'm very well. Thanks you for that day in Takarazuka. Sorry so late the picture sent. I study English now at Expo 70. Please come again Osaka. I went 2 times your country Expo pavilion. Very wonderful. Many people wait 5 or 6 hours get in. Many greetings, your friend Tomiyuki. Apr. 11., '70."

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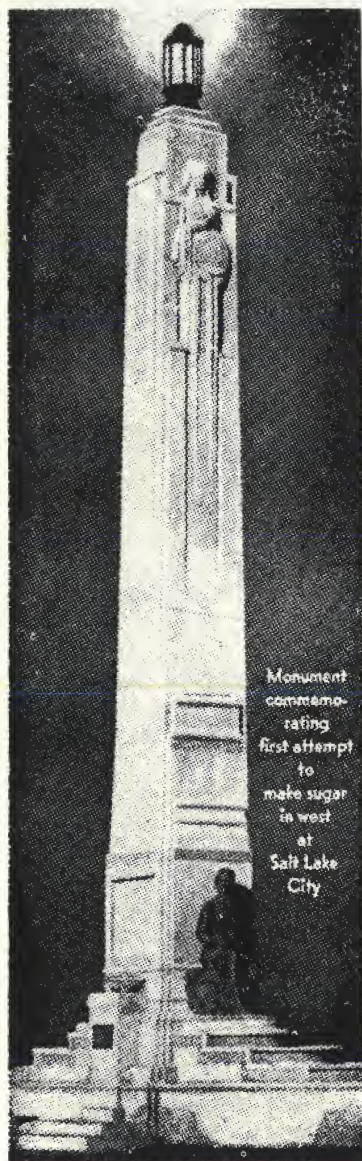
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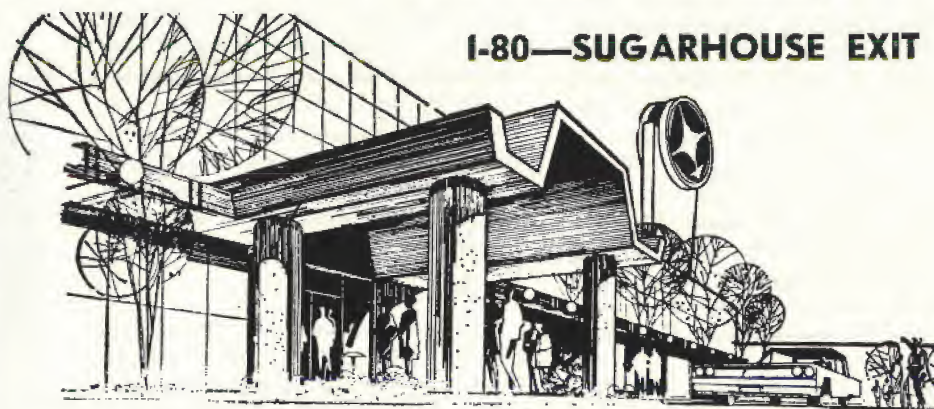
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